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continuation of like values across county lines. Of course, it's going to be different in the eastern part of the state versus the western part of the state. But when you have values that are not within the range of the law, yes, that's going to be taken care of. But when you have ranges of values that are just within the law but don't really reflect the actual values, for whatever reason, then I think this is something that should be looked at, should be corrected, and it's my opinion that the ag land valuation boards do do this. So thank you, Mr. President. I'll return the rest of my time.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Hudkins. Senator McDonald.

SENATOR McDONALD: Mr. President and members of the body, I'd like to ask Senator Stuhr some questions.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Stuhr, would you respond.

SENATOR STUHR: Yes

SENATOR McDONALD: After looking at the committee statement, can you tell me, I see various proponents and opponents. And looking at the opponents, I see that Farm Bureau opposed this. Can you tell me their reasoning behind that?

SENATOR STUHR: No, I didn't. I understand that they had several of their members, you know, come that served on their Board of Directors that expressed an opinion.

SENATOR McDONALD: But you don't know why they opposed it?

SENATOR STUHR: No. They said they were not going to vigorously oppose it.

SENATOR McDONALD: Okay. You know, I've had this situation in my district where we have land on both sides of the county, and the only thing that divides it is the county line, and with different valuations. And I'm not sure how that all got resolved. But does this board have the authority to really do anything?